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In re Application of: **Julien Lefebvre et al.** ) Confirmation No.: **6762**  
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Application No. **10/670,733** ) Group Art Unit: **1772**  
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Filed: **September 26, 2003** ) Examiner: **Sow-Fun Hon**  
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For: **Elastomeric Film With Anti Skid Additive** ) Date: **August 31, 2006**

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**TRANSMITTAL FORM**

1. Further to the Request for Continued Examination filed June 28, 2006, transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment.
2. Extension of Time: The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) apply. Applicants do not believe an extension of time is required. However, if Applicants have inadvertently overlooked the need for an extension of time, please consider this a petition therefore. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310.
3. Fee Calculation (37 C.F.R. § 1.16):


CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Remaining		Previously Paid	Extra	Rate	Total Fees
Total Claims	31	minus	33	0	\$50.00 each=	0.00
Independent Claims	2	minus	3	0	\$200.00 each=	0.00
First presentation of Multiple dependent claim					\$360.00	0.00
					Sub-total =	0.00
					Reduction by ½ for filing by a small entity	0.00
					Total Fee =	\$0.00

4. Constructive Petition: **Except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any additional fees during the entire pendency of this application including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and § 1.17 which may be required, including any required extension of time fees, or credit any

overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0310. This paragraph is intended to be a **constructive petition for extension of time** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Further to the Request for Continued Examination which was filed on June 28, 2006, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's consideration of the following amendments and remarks before an office action on the merits

**A Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.